

FIG. 1

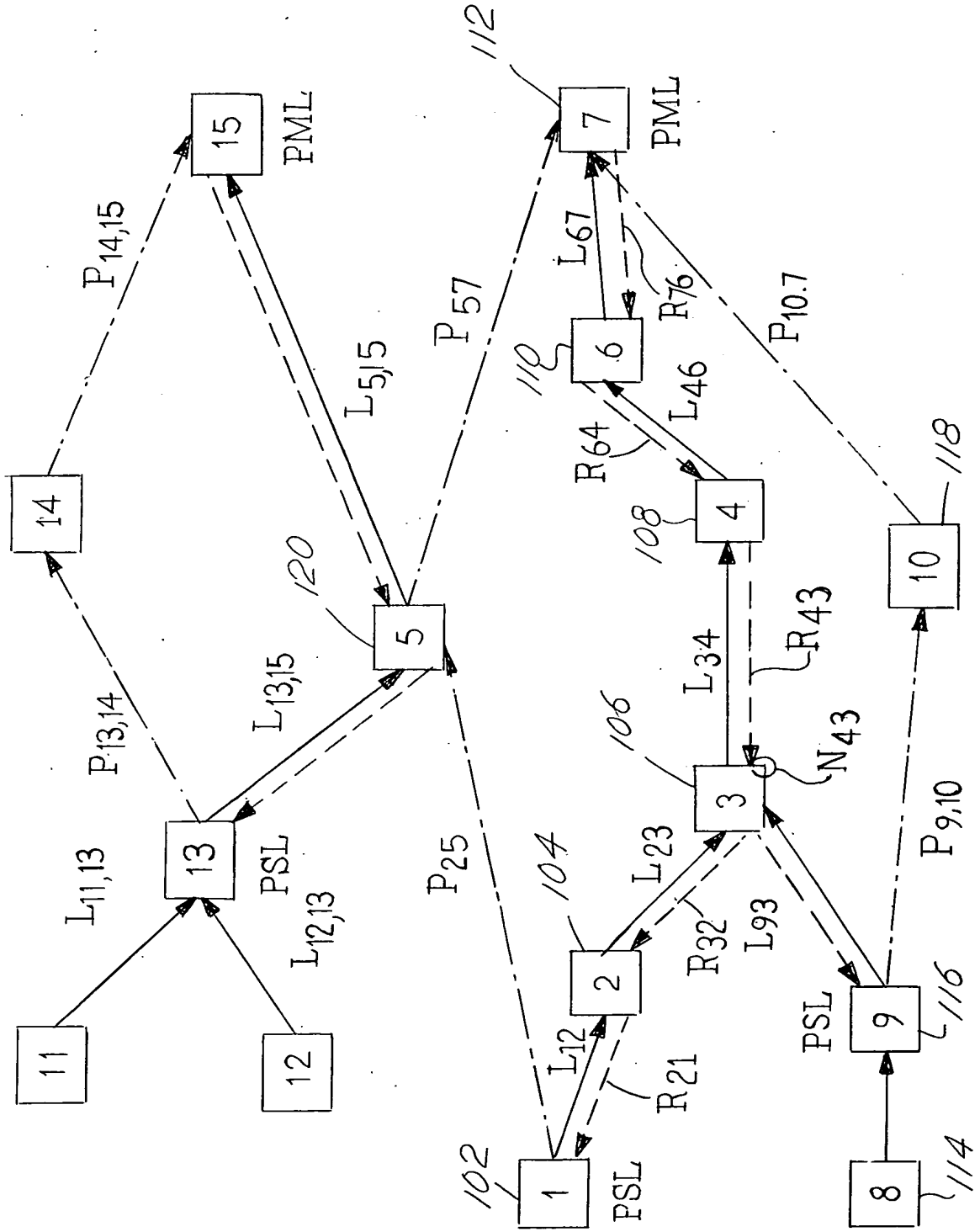
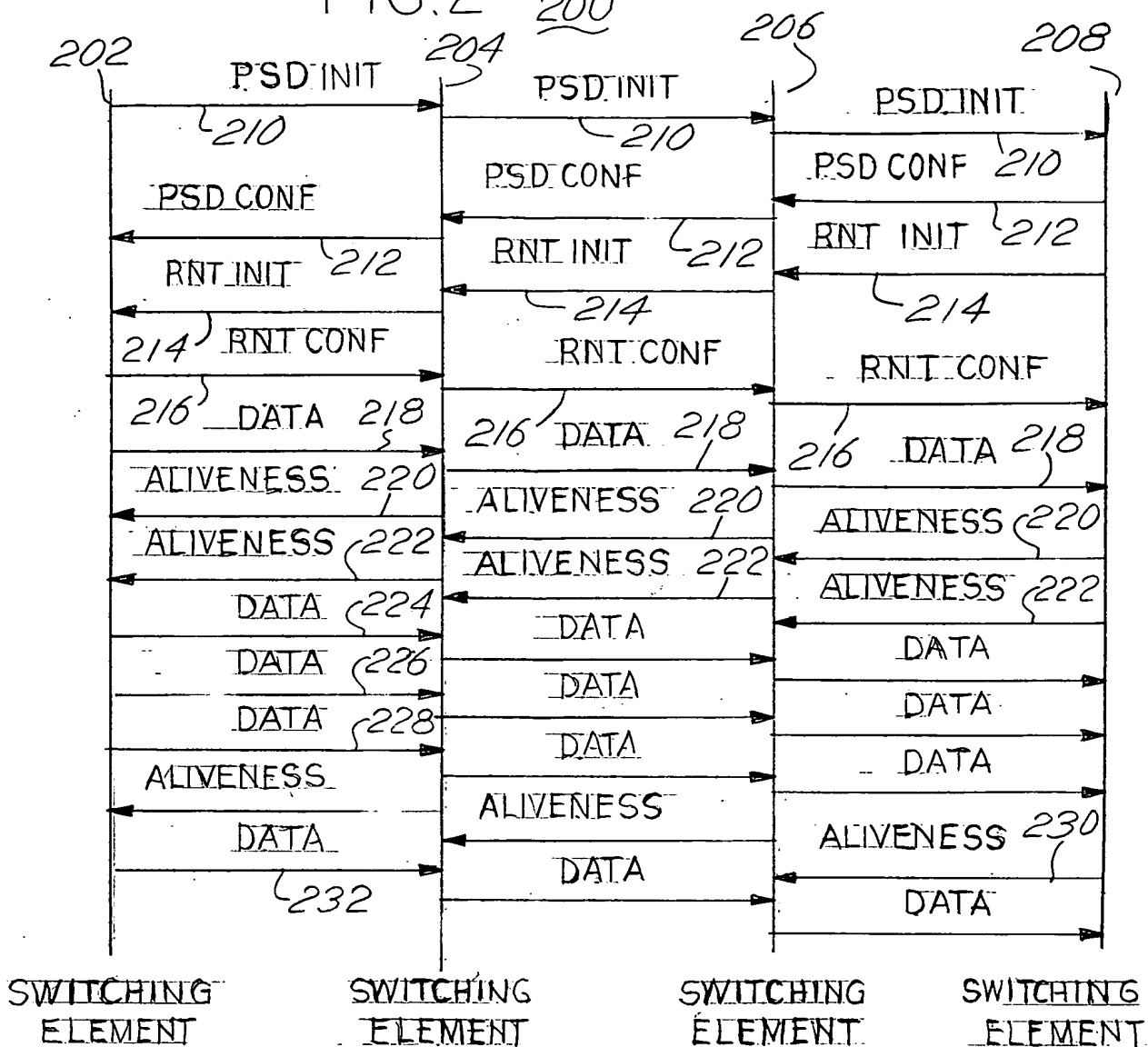


FIG.2 200



PSD=PROTECTION SWITCH DOMAIN(ESTABLISHMENT OF THE WORKING AND PROTECTION PATH : IDENTIFICATION OF SWITCHING ELEMENTS)  
 RNT=REVERSE NOTIFICATION TREE (ESTABLISHMENT OF REVERSE PATH FOR NOTIFICATION OF ALIVENESS)  
 INIT=INITIALIZE  
 CONF=CONFIRM  
 DATA=DATA FLOW  
 ALIVENESS=NOTIFICATION OF WORKING PATH STATUS